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retrievability, access controls, retention and disposal of the records; (e)(6), (7), (9), (10), and (11) relating to dissemination and maintenance of records and (i) relating to criminal penalties. This system of records is also exempt from the provisions of §308.11 through §308.17 to the extent that the provisions of these sections conflict with this paragraph.

- (i) Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552a(j)(2).
- (ii) Reasons:
- (A) To prevent interference with law enforcement proceedings.
- (B) To avoid unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, by disclosure of information about third parties, including other subjects of investigations, investigators, and witnesses.
- (C) To protect the identity of Federal employees who furnish a complaint or information to OIG, consistent with section 7(b) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. 3.
- (D) To protect the confidentiality of non-Federal employee sources of information.
- (E) To assure access to sources of confidential information, including those contained in Federal, State, and local criminal law enforcement information systems.
- (F) To prevent disclosure of law enforcement techniques and procedures.
- (G) To avoid endangering the life or physical safety of confidential sources.
- (2) To the extent that there may exist within this system of records investigative files compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than material within the scope of subsection (j)(2) of the Privacy Act, the OIG Investigative Files and Records system of records is exempt from the following sections of the Privacy Act: (c)(3) relating to access to the disclosure accounting; (d) relating to access to records; (e)(1) relating to the type of information maintained in the records; (e)(4) (G), (H), and (I) relating to publishing the system notice information as to agency procedures for access and amendment, and information as to the categories of sources or records; and (f) relating to developing agency rules for gaining access and making corrections. Provided, however, That if any individual is denied any right, privilege, or benefit that they would otherwise be

entitled by Federal law, or for which they would otherwise be eligible, as a result of the maintenance of such material, such material shall be provided to such individual except to the extent that the disclosure of such material would reveal the identity of a source who furnished information to the Government under an express promise that the identity of the source would be held in confidence, or, prior to January 1, 1975, under an implied promise that the identity of the source would be held in confidence. This system of records is also exempt from the provisions of §308.11 through §308.17 to the extent that the provisions of these sections conflict with this paragraph.

- (i) Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2)
- (ii) Reasons:
- (A) To prevent interference with law enforcement proceedings.
- (B) To protect investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes.
- (C) To avoid unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, by disclosure of information about third parties, including other subjects of investigation, law enforcement personnel, and sources of information.
- (D) To fulfill commitments made to protect the confidentiality of sources.
- (E) To protect the identity of Federal employees who furnish a complaint or information to the OIG, consistent with Section 7(b) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. 3.
- (F) To assure access to sources of confidential information, including those contained in Federal, State, and local criminal law enforcement systems.
  - (G) [Reserved]
- (H) To prevent disclosure of law enforcement techniques and procedures.
- (I) To avoid endangering the life or physical safety of confidential sources and law enforcement personnel.

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## § 308.15 Identification of requesters.

The agency shall require reasonable identification of all individuals who request access to records to assure that records are not disclosed to persons not entitled to such access.

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- (a) In the event an individual requests disclosure in person, such individual shall be required to show an identification card such as a driver's license, etc., containing a photo and a sample signature of such individual. Such individual may also be required to sign a statement under oath as to his or her identity acknowledging that he or she is aware of the penalties for improper disclosure under the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974.
- (b) In the event that disclosure is requested by mail, the agency may request such information as may be necessary to reasonably assure that the individual making such request is properly identified. In certain cases, the agency may require that a mail request be notarized with an indication that the notary received an acknowledgment of identity from the individual making such request.
- (c) In the event an individual is unable to provide suitable documentation or identification, the agency may require a signed notarized statement asserting the identity of the individual and stipulating that the individual understands that knowingly or willfully seeking or obtaining access to records about another person under false pretenses is punishable by a fine of up to \$5.000.
- (d) In the event a requester wishes to be accompanied by another person while reviewing his or her records, the agency may require a written statement authorizing discussion of his or her records in the presence of the accompanying representative or other persons.

## § 308.16 Amendment of records and appeals with respect thereto.

(a) In the event an individual desires to request an amendment of his or her record, he or she may do so by submitting such written request to the Director, Administrative Services, Peace Corps, 806 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20526. The Director, Administrative Services, shall provide assistance in preparing any amendment upon request and a written acknowledgment of receipt of such request within 10 working days after the receipt thereof from the individual who requested the amendment. Such ac-

- knowledgment may, if necessary, request any additional information needed to make a determination with respect to such request. If the agency decides to comply with the request within the 10 day period, no written acknowledgment is necessary: *Provided, however*, That a certification of the change shall be provided to such individual within such period.
- (b) Promptly after acknowledgment of the receipt of a request for an amendment the agency shall take one of the following actions:
- (1) Make any corrections of any portion of the record which the individual believes is not accurate, relevant, timely or complete.
- (2) Inform the individual of its refusal to amend the record in accord with the request together with the reason for such refusal and the procedures established for requesting review of such refusal by the head of the agency or his or her designee. Such notice shall include the name and business address of the reviewing official.
- (3) Refer the request to the agency that has control of and maintains the record in those instances where the record requested remains the property of the controlling agency and not of the Peace Corps.
- (c) In reviewing a request to amend the record the agency shall assess the accuracy, relevance, timeliness and completeness of the record with due and appropriate regard for fairness to the individual about whom the record is maintained. In making such determination, the agency shall consult criteria for determining record quality published in pertinent chapters of the Federal Personnel Manual and to the extent possible shall accord therewith.
- (d) In the event the agency agrees with the individual's request to amend such record it shall:
  - (1) Advise the individual in writing,
- (2) Correct the record accordingly, and
- (3) Advise all previous recipients of a record which was corrected of the correction and its substance.
- (e) In the event the agency, after an initial review of the request to amend a record, disagrees with all or a portion of it, the agency shall: